

108TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3441

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to phase out reduced price lunches and breakfasts by phasing in an increase in the income eligibility guidelines for free lunches and breakfasts.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 5, 2003

Mr. SHAYS (for himself and Mrs. EMERSON) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “School Nutrition En-  
5       hancement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOL**  
2 **LUNCHES AND BREAKFASTS.**

3 Section 9(b) of the Richard B. Russell National  
4 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)) is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (1), by redesignating subpara-  
6 graph (B) as subparagraph (E);

7 (2) by striking “(b)(1)(A) Not” and inserting  
8 the following:

9 “(b) INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES.—

10 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not”;

12 (3) in subparagraph (A)—

13 (A) by striking the second sentence and in-  
14 serting the following:

15 “(B) FREE LUNCHES.—The income guide-  
16 lines for determining eligibility for free lunches  
17 shall be the following percentage of the applica-  
18 ble family size income levels contained in the  
19 nonfarm income poverty guidelines prescribed  
20 by the Office of Management and Budget, as  
21 adjusted annually in accordance with subpara-  
22 graph (E):

23 “(i) For the school year beginning  
24 July 1, 2003, 130 percent.

25 “(ii) For the school year beginning  
26 July 1, 2004, 140 percent.

1 “(iii) For the school year beginning  
2 July 1, 2005, 150 percent.

3 “(iv) For the school year beginning  
4 July 1, 2006, 160 percent.

5 “(v) For the school year beginning  
6 July 1, 2007, 170 percent.

7 “(vi) For the school year beginning  
8 July 1, 2008, and each subsequent school  
9 year, 185 percent.”;

10 (B) in the third sentence—

11 (i) by striking “The” and inserting  
12 the following:

13 “(C) REDUCED PRICE LUNCHES.—The”;

14 and

15 (ii) by striking “subparagraph (B)”  
16 and inserting “subparagraph (E)”; and

17 (C) in the fourth sentence, by striking  
18 “The” and inserting the following:

19 “(D) FREQUENCY OF REVISIONS.—The”;

20 and

21 (4) in subparagraph (E) (as redesignated by  
22 paragraph (1))—

23 (A) by striking “The” and inserting the  
24 following:

25 “(E) AMOUNT OF REVISIONS.—The”; and

- 1 (B) by striking “subparagraph (A) of this
- 2 paragraph” and inserting “subparagraph (D)”.

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